

Harrington Public School

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Principal's Report

Leadership Speeches

Last week, aspirational leaders for 2022 delivered their speech to students and staff members. As Principal, I was extremely proud of how these students have matured into such respectful and responsible individuals.



Remembrance Day Service

On Thursday 11 November at 11am our school held a beautiful Remembrance Day service.

The students showed immense respect by bringing in flowers, listening attentively and showing empathy during a sombre occasion.

I would like to especially thank our guests from the Harrington RSL Sub-Branch and the Williamstown personnel who kindly donated a book to the school. We are so fortunate to have such a strong partnership with the community who support our students' to develop strong values towards Remembrance Day.



Thank you to Gay, Mrs Saunders mum, who kindly made a beautiful wreath which was displayed during the service and then laid at the base of the flag pole, and also to my mum Jill, who also provided some lovely flowers from her garden for the day.


Attendance Matters

100% Weeks 5 & 6 Attendance – congratulations to Hayden Nevaeh, Willow and Gus.



Club 90

Congratulations to all of those students who had 90% attendance from Weeks 1 to 5 in Term 4. These students received 15 minutes of additional playtime to celebrate their great attendance.

Spencer	Isabella	Sienna-May	Jack	Kobi	Hayley	Mya	Bailey
Audrey	Bryce	Alyssa	Tyler	Archer	Charlie	Ellsie	Mira-Lee
Hudson	Oscar	Hiva	Chanelle	Wyatt	Blade	Chevy	Jarrah
Jackson	Parker	Sienna	Declan	Molly	Stephanie	Matilda	Lucas
Betty	Billie	Emma	Jack	Lilyana	Cody	Mia	Lucas
Gus	Edward	Chance	Noah	Aidan	Calista	Georgia	Dakota
Sadie	Archie	Logan	Kailani	Blake	Kaitlyn	Gracie	Maisan
Harry	Indii	Lucas	Laylah	Paige	Mahni	Summer	Lilly
Saige							



Tell Them From Me Survey – Have Your Say

How do parents access the survey?

- Go to <http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/6dfre> to log into the survey.
- Parents will not need usernames or passwords to access the survey. Just follow the unique URL provided by the school.

- Parents can now easily complete the survey on their mobile device and choose from 22 available community languages.
- The survey will be open until **Thursday 25 November**.

Prize 1: 1 x new children's bike (Bike A) kindly donated by Col, a friendly neighbour

Prize 2: 1 x new children's bike (Bike B) also donated by Col

Prize 3: 1 x \$75 fuel voucher at BP Harrington

Prize 4: 1 x \$25 fuel voucher at BP Harrington

Prize 5: 1 x dozen eggs from our school chickens (Eggs A)

Prize 6: 1 x dozen eggs from our school chickens (Eggs B)



Complete the survey, take a screen shot of your confirmation of completion as evidence and email, or have students deliver a copy of it, to the school to go into the draw to win one of the great prizes listed above.



Peace Poster Winners

Congratulations to the following students who received awards and a gift card from the Harrington Lions Club.

1st Stephanie

2nd Charli

3rd Pearl



Reading Hall of Fame

Congratulations to Sienna-May, Charlotte T, Alexis and Isabella, for reaching 100 nights of home reading!

150 Year Anniversary

Last Thursday, we held our first 150-year celebration committee meeting via Teams. So far we have started work on:

- 1) 150 Year book
- 2) Week-long celebration in 2022
- 3) School fair
- 4) Dinner for past students and staff



If you are a parent, past student or community member interested in being part of the committee organising next year's celebrations, please contact the school on 6556 1267.

Library, Music Room and Uniform Shop

This week we have had some much-needed repairs made to timber flooring outside the library, uniform and music room.



Take care,

Paul Haste
Principal

We note under the current COVID-19 restrictions, parents/carers are not permitted on school grounds

Please call the school office to make arrangements for urgent appointments. We would like to thank our families for their patience and respect for the social distancing practices at our school.





Cancelled Event

Harrington's Got Talent

Unfortunately, our Harrington's Got Talent event has had to be cancelled for 2021 due to the recent changes to Covid-19 guidelines.

Coming Up



High School Orientation Days

Year 6 students attending either Chatham High School or Camden Haven High School in 2022 will be attending their orientation day on Tuesday 23 November. Thank you to those parents who have already returned the permission note allowing your child to attend.



PBL Expressions of Interest

Thank you to those students who have shown interest in and provided their Expression of Interest forms for our 2022 PBL team. For those who are still interested it is not too late to hand in your nomination form, which is due in Week 8 on Wednesday 24 November.



PBL Mini Olympics

Our Junior PBL Team have been very busy organising our upcoming Mini Olympics event, which is due to be held next Friday, 26 November. Further details will be sent home shortly from our wonderful PBL Team in relation to this event.

Annual Library Stocktake

As per the note sent home this week, Mrs Saunders will be co-ordinating our annual Library Stocktake from the start of Week 9. To ensure this process runs smoothly, we ask any borrowed books please be returned to Mrs Saunders at the library before next Monday, 29 November. Once the stocktake commences, borrowing will cease for 2021 and will not recommence until the New Year. Thank you to those students who have already returned their books.



Principal Privilege Lunch

Our last Principal Privilege Lunch for 2021 will be held on Tuesday, 30 November.

Congratulations to all students who have qualified for this event by receiving a Principal Privilege Award during Semester 2 2021.

An invitation will be sent home shortly to those students outlining details of the event.



Spot Sammy Star!

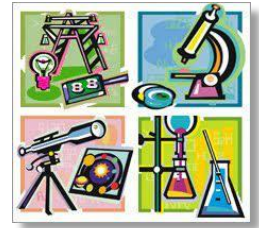
Sammy Star is again hiding throughout our newsletter – how many times did you spot Sammy Star this fortnight, including his picture here?

News



UNE Science Day

In Week 6 our students participated in an online Science session hosted by the University of New England. Years K to 3 learnt about biology in "Think Like a Rock," while students in Years 4 to 6 learnt about Astrometrics. All sessions were very hands on and were enjoyed by all participating students. We thank the UNE for not only hosting the event, but for also financially subsidising the event so there was no cost to our students and their families.



Head Lice

Head lice are one of the most commonly reported health complaints from parents and teachers and are most common among primary school aged children. They cannot fly, jump or swim and are spread by direct contact with the hair of the infested individual. A head lice infestation is not the result of dirty hair or poor hygiene and it can affect all types of hair regardless of its condition or length.



Female head lice lay eggs close to the scalp on the hair shaft. Eggs hatch after 5-7 days, leaving empty eggshells (nits) glued to the hair shaft. These eggshells are more noticeable as hair grows and they get carried away from the scalp. Nymphs that emerge from eggshells take 7-8 days to grow to adult sized lice. They may take another 7 days to start breeding and hence it is important to remove them to stop them spreading.

While head lice do not transmit disease causing micro-organisms, they can cause irritation, resulting in itchiness, which can be very distracting. Sometimes, itchiness and subsequent scratching of the scalp can increase the risk of secondary infection.

Please check your child's hair regularly and if head lice are found, treat promptly. If at all possible, please keep long hair tied back while at school to help stop the spread. For more details please visit the NSW Health information page at <https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/environment/headlice/Pages/default.aspx>



Drink Bottles

As we are entering the warmer, summer months, we ask all students to please remember to bring a water bottle to school each day.

To stay hydrated, it's important to drink before you feel thirsty. This is especially important if you are exercising or if it's a hot day. Even if you're not thirsty, try to drink water regularly throughout the day.

For more information, please visit:

<https://www.healthdirect.gov.au/drinking-water-and-your-health>



Student News

PBL

In addition to our Mini Olympics Day, our PBL team are busy organising a PBL Fundraiser which will be held later this term. More information will be sent home to families when we have all of the details finalised.



Rainbow Room

This fortnight in Rainbow Room we have been:

- Working on our science unit about materials.
- Sorting items according to what they are made out of.
- Using everyday products to make a push or pull toy.
- Participating in experiments to see what happens when we mix water with different products.



Yellow Room

This fortnight in Yellow Room we have been:

- Making artworks for Remembrance Day.
- Making and wearing poppies to the Remembrance Day Service last Thursday.
- Very pleased to have a surprise visitor . . . Miss Jasmine's new puppy Florence!
- Making boats out of foil and had a competition to see which boat could hold the most.



Music Room

Under the current COVID-19 guidelines we are unfortunately unable to practice our singing, making it difficult to hold performance band sessions at school. All students are working hard in their usual music sessions though, with some students learning drums.

I would like to thank those students who have been practicing both here at school and at home.

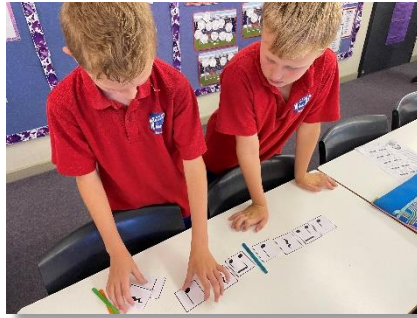




Purple Room

This fortnight in Purple Room we have been:

- Finishing our multi-step artwork which we've been working on for over two weeks.
- Making a Dinosaur Silhouette Moonrise.
- Learning about music – notes, rests, bar lines and measures.
- Having a go at making our own music, then moved around the classroom, beating drums to each other's rhythms.

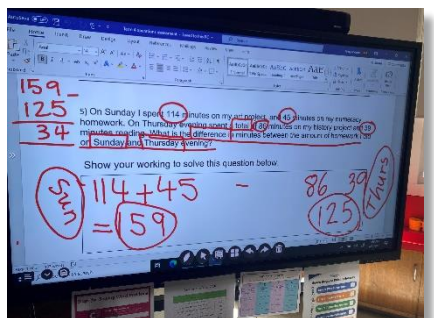
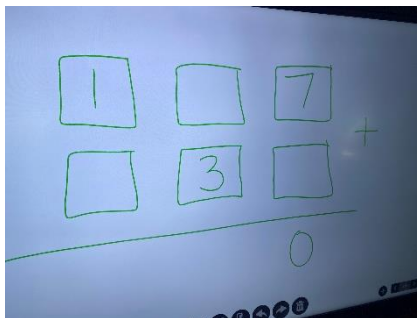


Blue Room



This fortnight in Blue Room we have been:

- Working on making movies in class. Students are in groups and have written a screen play for a wordless film that is about a disability disorder. The students have had a fun and creative time and we cannot wait to watch them!
- Participating in a virtual science visit where Blue Room learnt about the distance of planets from the sun.
- Learning about addition and subtraction and using strategies to find the missing number.
- Focusing on using the CUBES strategy when reading and solving mathematics word problems.



PE / Sport

This fortnight in PE / Sport, Green Room has been:

- Playing Oz Tag and soccer swamp ball.





Library

This fortnight in Library, Green Room has been:

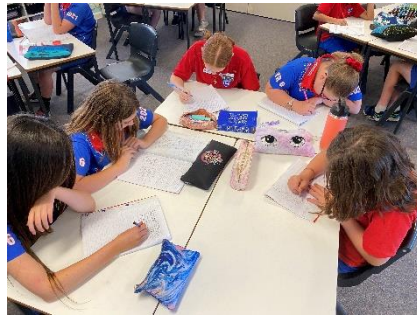
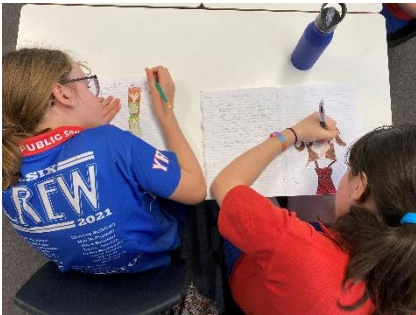
- Recording our school escape movie.



Green Room

This fortnight in Green Room we have been:

- Using an image to write a narrative.
- Planning our characters, the setting and the plot.
- Writing our stories using interesting and exciting vocabulary.
- Editing our stories on the computer.



Thank You Col!

One of our school's friendly neighbours, Col, has very generously donated two children's push bikes which are part of the prize pool on offer to those families who fully complete the Tell Them From Me survey.

For more details on how you can go into the draw to win one of these bikes, please read the Principal's Report above.

We are very grateful for Col's generous donation – both bikes are individually worth approximately \$500 each. Thank you Col for your \$1000 donation!





P&C

Our next P&C meeting will be the last for this year, and will be held on Monday 22 November. We invite all 2021 P&C Members to attend this meeting, which will be held at the Harrington Hotel from 5.30pm as a dinner meeting – please RSVP your attendance to the school. Thank you to this year's executive and members for what has at times been a challenging year.

The next meeting will be our AGM and will be held early in Term 1 of 2022. Details of this meeting will be provided closer to the date.

If you are interested in attending a meeting, becoming a member, being more involved, or are simply after more information, membership costs just \$2. Please contact the office on 6556 1267 for further details.

Uniform Shop

Under the current guidelines the uniform shop is open, however as visitors to the school are still restricted we ask all orders be placed by sending the completed order form to the school office with the CORRECT CASH, and your order will be sent home with your child. A copy of the Uniform Shop price list and order form is available on SkoolBag and Facebook.



P&C Canteen Volunteers 2022

The canteen is already preparing for next year and are looking for Expressions of Interest from those family and community members who are able and willing to assist in our friendly canteen. They are keen to hear from anyone who is willing to help, no matter how big or little your contribution can be. It can be once a week, once a month, once a term, as a relief helper, or even the odd hour here and there as it suits. If you are interested in becoming a part of our friendly canteen team, please complete the form below and return it to our office as soon as possible.

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HARRINGTON P&C SCHOOL CANTEEN EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Yes, I would like to be involved in school canteen, which runs every Monday, Wednesday and Friday!

- ☐ I can help on a regular day, which is:
- ☐ I would like to be listed as a reserve only
- ☐ I have a Working with Children Check Number, which is:
- ☐ I understand I will need to call into the school office to complete the necessary paperwork to be allowed on school grounds, and will be required to sign in, on each day of attendance.

Name: Phone: Date:



Assembly Awards – Term 4 Week 6

Congratulations to the following award recipients who have been awarded for their outstanding efforts during Weeks 5 and 6 of Term 4 – well done!

PRINCIPAL AWARDS:

Summer, Betty, William, Indi W, Jordan, Declan, Gracie, Wyatt, Mia W, Ellsie

GOLD AWARDS:

Lilly P, Edward, Indii M, Ryan, Alexis, Athena, Kruze

RAINBOW:

Charlotte T, Sadie, Charlotte A, Tigerlilly, Bryce, Harry, Skylah, Kandace

YELLOW:

Willow, Lillian S, Dexter, Maisan, Ozzy, Jai, Edward, Alivia

PURPLE:

Jessie, Pippa, Kobi W, Mia C, Sienna May, Athena, Kruze, Noah B

BLUE:

Archer, Paige, Mikayla P, Aaleyah, Hayden, Molly, Taj, Makayla L

GREEN:

Xander, Cody M C, Bailey, Lucas, Nevaeh, Issy, Calista, Byron

MUSIC:

Kaiden, Xander, Chevy

MULTI-LIT/QUICKSMART:

Aaleyah, Mira-Lee

PLATINUM AWARD:

Calista

DIAMOND AWARD:

Mia W





Chatham High School would like to invite you to

Orientation Day

Tuesday, 23 November 2021

9.00am to 3.20pm

Transport:

- * bus (no bus passes are required on this day)
- * walk
- * parent/carer drop off (St Vincent Street is best option)

When you arrive:

- * meet under the COLA in top quad at 9.00am

A free BBQ lunch will be provided

What to wear:

- * wear your current school uniform including covered shoes.
- * hats are optional

- * Come and experience a day at High School
- * Meet your peers and make new friends
- * Experience fun activities
- * Get to know your school
- * Meet our staff

What to bring:

- * school bag
- * small exercise book or paper
- * pen
- * water bottle or drink
- * morning tea or money to spend at the canteen

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Term 4 – November/December 2021						
Week	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT SUN
8	22 Nov Last P&C Meeting for 2021 and current committee	23 Nov Chatham High School Orientation – full day Camden Haven High Orientation – full day	24 Nov Junior PBL 2022 Expression of Interest 	25 Nov Tell Them From Me Parent Survey Closes	26 Nov PBL Mini Olympics Day LAST DAY to return Library books before stocktake begins	27/28 NOV
	29 Nov Library Stocktake begins	30 Nov Principal Privilege Lunch	1 Dec	2 Dec	3 Dec	4/5 DEC
9	6 Dec	7 Dec	8 Dec	9 Dec 	10 Dec	11/12 DEC